

City of Alexandria
Meeting Minutes
Wednesday, December 6, 2022 6:00 PM
City Council Special Meeting

Present: Mayor Justin M. Wilson, Vice Mayor Amy B. Jackson, Members of Council Canek Aguirre, Sarah R. Bagley, John Taylor Chapman, Alyia Gaskins, and R. Kirk McPike.

Absent: None.

Also Present: Mr. Parajon, City Manager; Ms. Anderson, City Attorney; Mr. Stokes, Assistant City Attorney; Fire Chief Smedley; Ms. Roberts, Deputy City Attorney; Mr. Routt, Director, Office of Management and Budget; Ms. Taylor, Interim Deputy City Manager; Mr. Lambert, Interim Deputy City Manager; Ms. McLean, Chief of Staff, City Manager's Office; and Police Captain Ballantine.

Recorded by: Gloria Sitton, City Clerk and Clerk of Council.

OPENING

1. Calling the Roll

Mayor Wilson called the meeting to order and the City Clerk called the roll. All the members of City Council were present with Councilman Chapman and Councilwoman Gaskins arriving during the executive session.

2. 6:00 p.m. -- Closed Meeting - Consideration of a closed executive session to discuss a personnel matter, investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, and a specific legal matter. [ROLL-CALL VOTE]

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman McPike and carried 5-0, City Council convened in closed executive session at 6:04 p.m. to discuss a personnel matter, investment of public funds where competition or bargaining is involved, where if made public initially, the financial interest of the governmental unit would be adversely affected, a specific provision of legal advice, and a public contract involving the expenditure of public funds, specifically the collective bargaining contracts for public employees; pursuant to Sections 2.2-3711(A)(1), (A)(6), (A)(8), and (A)(29) of the Code of Virginia. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none; Absent, Councilman Chapman and Councilwoman Gaskins.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council reconvened in open session at 6:51 p.m.

The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

WHEREUPON, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Vice Mayor Jackson and carried unanimously, City Council adopted the resolution regarding the closed executive session previously, circulated to Council. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

The resolution reads as follows:

RESOLUTION NO. 3120

WHEREAS, the Alexandria City Council has this 6th day of December, 2022, recessed into executive session pursuant to a motion made and adopted in accordance with the Virginia Freedom of Information Act; and

WHEREAS, Section 2.2-3712 of the Code of Virginia requires a certification by the city council that such executive session was conducted in accordance with Virginia law;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the city council does hereby certify that, to the best of each member's knowledge, only public business matters that were identified in the motion by which the executive session was convened, and that are lawfully exempted by the Freedom of Information Act from the Act's open meeting requirements, were heard, discussed or considered by council during the executive session.

3. Adjourn.

THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS TO BE CONSIDERED, upon motion by Councilman Aguirre, seconded by Councilman Chapman and carried unanimously, City Council adjourned the special meeting of December 6, 2022 at 6:52 p.m. The vote was as follows: In favor, Mayor Wilson, Vice Mayor Jackson, Councilman Aguirre, Councilmember Bagley, Councilman Chapman, Councilwoman Gaskins, and Councilman McPike; Opposed, none.

APPROVED BY:

JUSTIN M. WILSON MAYOR

ATTEST:

Gloria A. Sitton, CMC City Clerk

Adopted: January 10, 2023